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For: THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR THE TREATMENT OF SEPTICAEMIA, ITS PREPARATION
AND USE

CLAIM FOR SMALL ENTITY STATUS

I hereby declare that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the following *nonprofit organization*:

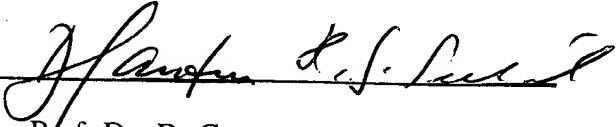
Name of Organization: Max-Delbrück Zentrum für Molekulare Medizin

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I hereby declare that the aforementioned organization would qualify as tax exempt under the Internal revenue Service Code (26 USC 501(a) and 501 (c)(3)) if it would be located in the United States of America, and no rights in and to the above-identified application or patent have been assigned or licensed to, and that there is no obligation to license or to assign such rights to, any organization that, together with any and all of its affiliates, had more than 500 full- and part-time employees within the last 12 months.

The duty is acknowledged in this application and in any patent to issue thereon, to notify any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status, prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date of which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.

I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such wilful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration applies.

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